

Rep. Brad Miller Helps Secure Funding for Law Enforcement and Education in the Triad

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Washington, D.C. - Rep. Brad Miller (NC-13) announced today that he was able to help secure funding for the Triad area in the FY09 Consolidated Appropriations Act which passed in the House to wrap up work on the fiscal 2009 appropriations. The bill now goes to the Senate, then to the President for his signature.

Triad Projects included in the 2009 Appropriations Bill:

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Alamance County's Emergency Communications System - \$500,000 to upgrade law enforcement's current VHF emergency communications system to an 800 MHz emergency communications system. Under the current VHF system, there are areas within the county that are without coverage which causes a safety issue for many system users and health and/or safety issues for those in need of emergency service. Alamance County will be partnering with the North Carolina State Highway Patrol and will use their existing VIPER system as the backbone for the country's new emergency communications system. In order for Alamance County to convert to the 800 MHz system, Alamance County will need to renovate its 911 Emergency Communications Center (C-COM), upgrade and purchase equipment for C-COM, and purchase radios and equipment for the users of the system.

"Giving law enforcement the necessary tools to do its job is the least we can do," said **Rep. Miller**.

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University of North Carolina at Greensboro's On Track-Learn Math Program - \$250,000 to develop a reform-based, problem solving math enrichment program for use in the after-school setting with elementary school children.

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(Some of the requests for federal funding were also supported by other members of the North Carolina Congressional Delegation.)

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